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## PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 24, 2003 by three months. With the extension the response is due on or before December 24, 2003. A check for \$475.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(a)(3) for a small entity.

## **EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE (37 CFR 1.10)**

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any over-payment associated with this submission to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

Respectfully Submitted,

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